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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**  
**CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA – LOS ANGELES DIVISION**

In re:

SEATON INVESTMENTS, LLC, *et al.*,  
Debtors and Debtor  
Possession.

Lead Case No. 2:24-bk-12079-VZ

Jointly Administered with Case Nos.:  
2:24-bk-12080-VZ; 2:24-bk-12081-VZ;  
2:24-bk-12082-VZ; 2:24-bk-12091-VZ;  
2:24-bk-12074-VZ; 2:24-bk-12075-VZ and  
2:24-bk-12076-VZ

Chapter 11

**MOTION BY AFFECTED DEBTORS  
FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER  
AUTHORIZING USE OF CASH  
COLLATERAL PURSUANT TO  
11 U.S.C. § 363(C)(2);  
DECLARATIONS OF ALAN  
GOMPERTS, SUSAN HALEVY,  
DANIEL HALEVY AND DERRICK  
TALERICO IN SUPPORT THEREOF**

### Hearing:

[TO BE SET BY COURT PURSUANT  
TO APPLICATION FOR SHORTENED  
NOTICE]

- Affects All Debtors.
- Affects Seaton Investments, LLC
- Affects Colyton Investments, LLC
- Affects Broadway Avenue Investments, LLC
- Affects SLA Investments, LLC
- Affects Negev Investments, LLC
- Affects Alan Gomperts
- Affects Daniel Halevy
- Affects Susan Halevy

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1 Seaton Investments, LLC, (“Seaton”), Colyton Investments, LLC (“Colyton”), Broadway  
2 Avenue Investments, LLC (“Broadway”), SLA Investments, LLC (“SLA”), Negev Investments,  
3 LLC (“Negev,” together with Seaton, Colyton, Broadway, and SLA, the “Corporate Debtors”),  
4 Susan Halevy (“Susan” or “Susan Halevy”), Daniel Halevy (“Daniel” or “Daniel Halevy”), and  
5 Alan Gomperts (“Alan” or “Alan Gomperts,” together with Susan and Daniel, the “Individual  
6 Debtors,” and the Individual Debtors, collectively with the Corporate Debtors, the “Debtors”), the  
7 debtors and debtors-in-possession in the pending jointly administered chapter 11 bankruptcy cases  
8 herein (the “Bankruptcy Cases”), hereby move (the “Motion”) this court (the “Court”), for the entry  
9 of an order authorizing use of cash collateral pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2).

10 **I. STATEMENT OF FACTS**

11 **A. Jurisdiction and Venue**

12 The Court has jurisdiction to consider the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334.  
13 This matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A), (M), and (O). Venue is  
14 proper before the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

15 **B. Background and The Debtors’ Businesses**

16 On March 18, 2024 (the “Individual Petition Date”) and on March 19, 2024 (the “Corporate  
Petition Date”), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the  
17 Bankruptcy Code with the Court. The Debtors continue to operate and manage their affairs as  
18 debtors and debtors-in-possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.  
19 No party has requested the appointment of a trustee or examiner and no committee has been  
20 appointed or designated in the Bankruptcy Cases.

22 **1. General**

23 The Individual Debtors are family and operate a family business together. Debtor Susan  
24 Halevy is mother to debtor Daniel Halevy and three other non-debtor children, including Sharon  
25 Gomperts, wife of debtor Alan Gomperts.

26 Susan’s husband, David Halevy (deceased), together with Daniel and Alan, and on occasion  
27 non-debtor Simon Harkham, invest in and operate real estate properties, including debtors Seaton,  
28 Broadway and SLA. Upon David Halevy’s passing in 2023, his interests, to the extent they were

1 not community property, passed to Susan via the Halevy Trust (defined below). As such, Susan  
2 Halevy is now the owner – direct, beneficial, equitable, or otherwise – of all interests in the various  
3 Debtors previously owned by David Halevy.

4 These Bankruptcy Cases present two real estate investments that require a restructuring to  
5 address defaults on their senior loans: (1) the buildings at 440 Seaton Street, Los Angeles, CA,  
6 90013 (the “Seaton Building”), and 421 Colyton Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90013 (the “Colyton  
7 Building”), which together are operated as an economic unit (the “Seaton/Colyton Buildings”) and  
8 are owned by Debtors Seaton and Colyton, respectively; and (2) the building at 737 S. Broadway,  
9 Los Angeles, CA, 90014 (the “Broadway Building”), owned by Debtor Broadway.

10 The Individual Debtors have each jointly and severally guaranteed (1) certain debt owed to  
11 KDM California LLC (“KDM”) on account of KDM’s \$37.1 million in principal amount loaned  
12 jointly to Seaton and Colyton and secured by the Seaton/Colyton Buildings, and (2) approximately  
13 \$19.1 million of loans made by Archway Capital (“Archway”) on account of the Broadway  
14 Building (the “Broadway Loans”). The Individual Debtors’ guaranty liability to Archway is  
15 bifurcated into secured and unsecured tranches. Approximately \$15 million of Archway’s  
16 Broadway Loans are made directly to Broadway and guaranteed by the Individual Debtors without  
17 collateral. Approximately \$4 million of Archway’s Broadway Loans are made pursuant to three  
18 loans to related entities or groups and are secured by pledges of various real properties owned by  
19 the Individual Debtors, 1040 S. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA (owned and pledged by SLA),  
20 and 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, CA (owned and pledged by Negev).

21 Archway has commenced an action against the Individual Debtors where it has sought pre-  
22 judgment writs of attachment against Daniel Halevy and Alan Gomperts. Archway has also  
23 commenced foreclosure proceedings against the properties owned by the Individual Debtors, SLA,  
24 and Negev to recover on their guarantees and collateral. KDM has commenced an action against  
25 Seaton and Colyton for appointment of a receiver.

26 **2. Seaton & Colyton**

27 Seaton was formed in March 2010 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and operating  
28 the Seaton Building. Seaton’s membership consists of: (1) the Halevy Family Trust dated

1 September 6, 2010 (the “Halevy Trust,” Susan Halevy, beneficial owner); (2) the Gomperts and  
2 Halevy Family Trust (the “G&H Trust,” Alan Gomperts and Sharon Gomperts, beneficial owners  
3 of community property); (3) Daniel Halevy; and (4) Simon Harkham.

4 Colyton was formed in June 2011 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and operating  
5 the Colyton Building. Colyton is owned 100% by Susan Halevy as the beneficiary of the Halevy  
6 Trust. The Seaton/Colyton Buildings are adjacent to each other and together form a jigsaw of  
7 structures that are operated by Seaton and Colyton as a single economic unit. They also share  
8 overhead costs and are held out to the market as a common opportunity for the lease of commercial  
9 space.

10 In or about 2018, Seaton’s members determined the Seaton Building needed a full structural  
11 upgrade in order to compete for top-of-the-market tenants in the burgeoning downtown arts district.  
12 Seaton took out a series of construction and bridge loans to finance a full modernization of the  
13 Seaton Building. The Seaton Building upgrade and development was a many years undertaking  
14 requiring careful and intensive coordination with the City of Los Angeles to preserve historical  
15 structures and to benefit from programs designed to reward historical preservation.

16 The investment in the Seaton Building attracted a multi-decade letter-of-intent from  
17 WeWork to lease an entire structure (100%) of the Seaton Building. Unfortunately, when WeWork  
18 experienced financial difficulties in 2019, the WeWork LOI was withdrawn, and Seaton was in the  
19 unenviable position of looking for a major anchor tenant to replace WeWork (or multiple smaller  
20 tenants) as the country entered the COVID lockdown. Having invested over \$20 million into the  
21 Seaton Building, Seaton pushed forward with completion of the Seaton Building upgrades.

22 In or about April 2021, Seaton refinanced its outstanding loans with KDM. KDM, Seaton,  
23 and Colyton entered into a \$35.1 million loan that consolidated all of their then outstanding loans  
24 and that provided additional working capital for Seaton and Colyton (the “KDM First Loan”) to  
25 complete the Seaton Building remodel. KDM required the KDM First Loan to be a joint obligation  
26 of both Seaton and Colyton, reflecting their operation as a single economic unit. As part of its  
27 diligence, KDM obtained a third-party valuation of the Seaton/Colyton Buildings by Bowery that  
28 valued the Seaton/Colyton Buildings as a single economic unit and concluded their current

1 combined projected value to be \$64.4 million as of February 17, 2021 (upon completion of  
2 upgrades) and \$70.2 million as of August 17, 2021 (stabilized).

3 In January 2022, behind on both the completion of their remodel and lease-up due to the  
4 impact of the extended COVID shutdown, Seaton and Colyton closed on a supplementary \$2  
5 million loan from KDM (the “KDM Second Loan”) for additional capital needed to complete work  
6 required for the issuance of a certificate of occupancy by the City of Los Angeles. In connection  
7 with the KDM Second Loan, David Halevy (now deceased, and therefore as to Susan Halevy only  
8 an in rem obligation against community assets now owned by Susan Halevy via the Halevy Trust),  
9 Daniel Halevy, and Alan Gomperts provided personal guarantees to KDM (together, the “KDM  
10 Guarantors”).

11 Unfortunately, the KDM Second Loan was not sufficient to allow Seaton and Colyton to  
12 avoid defaults caused by the COVID pandemic. Because of prolonged COVID-19 related  
13 shutdowns and work-at-home orders, and, in particular, the closure of the Los Angeles Department  
14 of Building and Safety (the “LADBS”) and the remote work-only status of all of its plan checkers  
15 for a protracted period, LADBS building plan approvals were severely slowed and took far longer  
16 than anticipated. This, and a stagnant leasing market, led to Seaton’s and Colyton’s defaults on the  
17 KDM First Loan and the KDM Second Loan in 2023.

18 Seaton did eventually obtain a certificate of occupancy on the remodeled structure in  
19 January 2024. As of the Petition Date, 47% of the Seaton/Colyton Buildings are leased and  
20 negotiations are in-process for leases on the remaining 53% of the Seaton/Colyton Buildings. After  
21 hitting a market low in the fourth quarter of 2023, commercial real estate has experienced a modest  
22 recovery and the Debtors expect the market to continue to strengthen over the coming months and  
23 years. As of the Petition Date, the outstanding debt owed to KDM totals \$36,240,750 on account  
24 of the KDM First Loan and \$2,091,840 on account of the KDM Second Loan.

25 **3. Broadway**

26 Broadway was formed in July 2013 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and operating  
27 the Broadway Building. Broadway’s membership consists of: (1) the Halevy Trust (Susan Halevy,  
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1       beneficial owner); (2) the G&H Trust (Alan Gomperts and Sharon Gomperts, beneficial owners of  
2       community property); and (3) Daniel Halevy.

3       Broadway acquired the Broadway Building in 2013. The Broadway Building is an eight-  
4       story structure. At the time it was acquired by Broadway, only the ground floor was habitable.  
5       Broadway understands the seven higher floors had not been occupied since the 1950s. In 2015,  
6       Broadway entered into a 15-year lease with The GAP for the ground floor of the Broadway Building  
7       and developed a plan to remodel and modernize the entire Broadway Building to make every floor  
8       habitable and available to lease to commercial tenants.

9       A majority of the intensive remodel and modernization of the Broadway Building took place  
10      between 2015 and 2020. The improvements that were performed included the rehabilitation of the  
11      façade of the first three floors of the Broadway Building per the guidance of the Cultural Heritage  
12      Commission, installation of a fire and life safety system throughout the building, modernization of  
13      the elevator, installation of an HVAC system, fire pump and sprinkler system, emergency backup  
14      generator and replacement and installation of electric and plumbing systems throughout the  
15      building. In March 2020, after first confirming the full term of its lease, The GAP exercised a one-  
16      time early termination provision on its lease as the uncertainty of COVID began to take hold.

17       With an end to the remodel and modernization in sight, Broadway refinanced its outstanding  
18      loans with a single loan from Archway in July 2021, in the original principal amount of \$16,942,500  
19      (the “Broadway Loan”). The Broadway Loan was guaranteed by David Halevy, Daniel Halevy, and  
20      Alan Gomperts.

21       The Broadway Loan matured on August 1, 2022. After commencing an action for breach  
22      against its guarantors and filing a notice of default to begin foreclosure on the Broadway Building,  
23      the parties agreed to a restructure (the “Broadway Restructure”) that extended the maturity date of  
24      the Broadway Loan to December 1, 2023, affirmed the balance due under the Broadway Loan in  
25      the principal amount of \$15,241,093, and called for \$4 million in new loans (the “New Loans”)  
26      from Archway to benefit the Broadway Loan and the Broadway Building. The New Loans were  
27      made via three loan agreements: (1) to Negev for \$1,300,000 (the “Negev Loan”); (2) to SLA for  
28      \$125,000 (the “SLA Loan”); and (3) jointly to David Halevy, the Halevy Trust, Alan Gomperts,

1 the G&H Trust, and Daniel Halevy for \$2,575,000 (the “Guarantor Loan”). The Negev Loan was  
2 secured by the real property located at 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, California, and  
3 was guaranteed by David Halevy, with the guaranty secured by David Halevy’s membership  
4 interests in Negev. The SLA Loan was secured by the real property located at 1040 S. Los Angeles  
5 Street and was guaranteed by David Halevy, Susan Halevy, Alan Gomperts, and Daniel Halevy,  
6 with the guarantees secured by the guarantors’ membership interests in SLA. The Guarantor Loans  
7 were secured by the following real property: (1) 3538 Greenfield Avenue, Los Angeles, California  
8 (owned by the G&H Trust); (2) 133 S. Palm Drive, Beverly Hills, California (owned by the Halevy  
9 Trust); and (3) 8561 Horner Street, Los Angeles, California (owned by Daniel Halevy). The \$4  
10 million of proceeds from the New Loans were distributed exclusively for the benefit of Archway  
11 and the Broadway Loan, with \$1,701,407.01 applied to pay down the balance of the Broadway  
12 Loan.

13 As of the Petition Date, the outstanding debt owed to Archway is \$15,663,398 on the  
14 Broadway Loan, \$1,336,020 on the Negev Loan, \$128,958 on the SLA Loan, and \$2,646,348.96  
15 on the Guarantor Loan.

16 **4. Negev Investments, LLC**

17 Negev owns a motel located at 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, CA (the “Motel”).  
18 The Motel has 26-rooms with five natural spring water pools. It has been operated by Seapiper Inn,  
19 Inc. (“Seapiper”) since 2014. Negev is owned by the Halevy Trust. Seapiper is not a debtor in these  
20 proceedings. Negev became a borrower of Archway by the Broadway Restructure in 2023 as set  
21 forth above. As of the Petition Date, the outstanding balance owed on the Negev Loan is  
22 \$1,336,020.

23 **5. SLA Investments, LLC**

24 SLA was formed in 2009 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and operating  
25 commercial real property located at 1040 South Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA (“1040  
26 South”). As of the Petition Date, 13 of 18 spaces are leased. SLA’s membership consists of: (1) the  
27 Halevy Trust; (2) the G&H Trust; (3) Daniel Halevy; and (4) Simon Harkham. SLA became a  
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1 borrower of Archway by the Broadway Restructure in 2023 as set forth above. As of the Petition  
2 Date, the outstanding balance owed on the SLA Loan is \$128,958.

3 **6. The Individual Guarantors**

4 Susan Halevy (not directly but via her interest in the community property of David Halevy),  
5 the Halevy Trust, Alan Gomperts, the G&H Trust, and Daniel Halevy are guarantors of the  
6 Archway and KDM debt as follows:

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- KDM Second Loan in the amount of \$2,091,841,<sup>1</sup> jointly and severally: the  
community assets of David Halevy (deceased), Alan Gomperts, and Daniel Halevy;
- Broadway Loan in the amount of \$15,663,398, jointly and severally: the community  
assets of David Halevy (deceased), Alan Gomperts, and Daniel Halevy;
- Negev Loan in the amount of \$1,336,020: Susan Halevy (not directly but via her  
sole ownership of community property);
- SLA Loan in the amount of \$125,958: David Halevy (deceased), Susan Halevy,  
Alan Gomperts, and Daniel Halevy.

15 Susan Halevy (not directly but via her interest in the community property of David Halevy),  
16 the Halevy Trust, Alan Gomperts, the G&H Trust, and Daniel Halevy are also jointly and severally  
17 liable on the Guarantor Loan, which has a balance of \$2,646,348.96 as of the Petition Date.

18 The commercial buildings of four of the five corporate debtors (all but Negev) are jointly  
19 managed by Daniel Halevy (daily property management through Almighty Builders, Inc.) and Alan  
20 Gomperts (financial management).

21 **C. The Secured Creditors, Real Property Collateral Values, and Proposed Use of**  
**Cash Collateral**

22 The secured creditors in the Debtors' Cases with interests in cash collateral and the  
23 corresponding properties and values for which the Debtors seek Court authorization to use cash  
24 collateral are as follows:

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27 <sup>1</sup> KDM has indicated the guaranty covers the entirety of its debt.

- Seaton and Colyton: KDM
  - Address: 431-433, 441 Colyton Street and 440 Seaton Street, Los Angeles, CA (Seaton); 421 Colyton Street, Los Angeles, CA (Colyton)
    - Secured Creditor: KDM
    - Value: \$39,000,000
    - Seaton Monthly Rent: \$19,959
    - Colyton Monthly Rent: \$34,850 (not including rent from Urban Outfitters which only runs through June 2024)
    - Joint Monthly Expenses: \$34,000 - \$39,000
    - Use of cash collateral. Per the Seaton and Colyton budgets, **Exhibit 1** to the attached Declaration of Alan Gomperts (the “Gomperts Declaration”), the properties incur regular monthly expenses consisting primarily of insurance, repairs, maintenance, utilities, and tenant/property management. These services and expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the Seaton and Colyton real property. If these items are not paid when due, Seaton and Colyton would default on the leases with their tenants incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would have an immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property, reducing its value by 25-30%. The potential loss in value the property would suffer far exceeds the amount of cash collateral Seaton and Colyton seek authority to use. One component of the expenses Seaton and Colyton seek approval to pay from cash collateral is for property management services. The management fee is \$5,000 per month for each of Seaton and Colyton for a total of \$10,000 per month. The management services are provided by Almighty Builders, LLC (“Almighty Builders”), which is a company owned by Daniel Halevy, an insider to and partial owner of Seaton and Colyton. The services provided by Almighty Builders for which the management fee is earned

are performed almost entirely by Daniel Halevy. Per the attached Gomperts Declaration and the declaration of Daniel Halevy (the “Halevy Declaration”), the services provided by Almighty Builders to Seaton and Colyton are necessary to maintain the value of the real property. The services are charged at a fair price and if not performed by Almighty Builders, would need to be performed by some other management company at a rate that would likely be the same or more than that charged by Almighty Builders.

- Secured Creditor Consent. KDM has reviewed the budgets attached as Exhibit 1 and approves of the use of its cash collateral as set forth in those budgets, with the exception of the management fee.

- SLA:

- Address: 1040 S. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA
  - Secured Creditor: Harvest Small Business Finance (SBA) (“Harvest”); Archway
  - Value: \$3,500,000
  - Monthly Rent: \$11,600
  - Monthly Expenses: \$7,353
  - Use of cash collateral: Per the SLA budget, **Exhibit 2** to the Gomperts Declaration, the property incurs regular monthly expenses, primarily insurance, repairs, maintenance, utilities, and tenant/property management. These services and expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the SLA real property. If these items are not paid when due, SLA would default on the leases with their tenants incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would have an immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property, reducing its value by 15-20%. The potential loss in value the property would suffer far exceeds the amount of cash collateral SLA seeks authority to use. One component

of the expenses SLA seeks approval to pay from cash collateral is for management services. The management fee is \$3,000 per month. The management services are provided by Almighty Builders. The services provided by Almighty Builders for which the management fee is earned are performed almost entirely by Daniel Halevy. Per the attached Gomperts Declaration and Halevy Declaration, the services provided by Almighty Builders to SLA are necessary to maintain the value of the real property. The services are charged at a fair price and if not performed by Almighty Builders, would need to be performed by some other management company at a rate that would likely be the same or more than that charged by Almighty Builders.

- Secured Creditor Consent. Harvest has not consented to the use of cash collateral. Archway does not consent to the use of any of its cash collateral.

- Negev: Archway
  - Address: 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240
    - Secured Creditor: Archway
    - Value: \$2,800,000
    - Monthly Room Revenue: \$3,700 - \$14,200 per month in 2024; average monthly room revenue of \$7,700 over the first four months of 2024.
    - Monthly Expenses: \$6,060 (monthly average)
    - Use of cash collateral<sup>2</sup>: The Foxdale property is an operating motel. It has been operated by Seapiper, which has common ownership with Negev, since the property was acquired. Pursuant to the management

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<sup>2</sup> Negev does not admit that post-petition room revenue collected by Seapiper is cash collateral, but does not put this issue before the Court. Instead, Negev seeks authorization to use post-petition room revenue as if it was cash collateral and provide adequate protection to the extent deemed appropriate by the Court.

1 agreement between Negev and Seapiper, Seapiper collects all revenue  
2 generated by Foxdale and pays all expenses of the property and motel  
3 operations. Profits, when available, are distributed as directed by Negev.  
4 The motel operations are somewhat seasonal but on average over the  
5 course of the past four years, operations are about break-even. Per the  
6 Seapiper P&L and budget, attached to the Gomperts Declaration as  
7 **Exhibit 3**, the property incurs monthly expenses for operation including  
8 merchant account fees, insurance, landscaping and groundskeeping,  
9 repairs, maintenance, utilities, taxes and licenses, and property  
10 management. These services and expenses are critical to maintaining the  
11 value of the Foxdale property. If these items are not paid, the motel  
12 would close, which would have an immediate and drastic impact on the  
13 value of the real property reducing its value by 30-35%. The potential  
14 loss in value the property would suffer far exceeds the amount of  
15 potential cash collateral Negev seeks authority for Seapiper to use.

- 16     ▪ Secured Creditor Consent. Archway does not consent to the use of any  
17         of its cash collateral.

18     • Alan Gomperts:

19         ○ 2247 S. Canfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034

- 20             ▪ Secured Creditor: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage (“Wells Fargo”)
- 21             ▪ Value: \$2,000,000
- 22             ▪ Secured Debt: \$363,480
- 23             ▪ Monthly Rent: \$6,900 (increased from \$6,600 in April 2024)
- 24             ▪ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, Mr. Gomperts incurs expenses in  
25                 the ordinary course of business to maintain and repair the property,  
26                 respond to tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis,  
27                 these property expenses are estimated at \$1,816 per the Canfield annual  
28                 cash flow, attached to the Gomperts Declaration as **Exhibit 4**. These

1 expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the Canfield property. If  
2 these items are not paid, Mr. Gomperts would default on the lease with  
3 the tenant incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which  
4 would negatively impact the value of the real property in excess of the  
5 amount of cash collateral Mr. Gomperts seeks authority to use. In  
6 addition to property expenses, Mr. Gomperts proposes to use rents  
7 generated from the Canfield property to fund plan payments to Wells  
8 Fargo and for ordinary living expenses for himself and his family.

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- 10 ▪ Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use of  
cash collateral.

11 ○ 2220 Bagley Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034

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- 13 ▪ Secured Creditor: Wells Fargo
- 14 ▪ Value: \$2,500,000
- 15 ▪ Secured Debt: \$728,121
- 16 ▪ Monthly Rent: \$5,550
- 17 ▪ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, Mr. Gomperts incurs expenses in  
the ordinary course of business to maintain and repair the property,  
respond to tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis,  
these property expenses are estimated at \$2,665 per the Bagley annual  
cash flow, attached to the Gomperts Declaration as **Exhibit 5**. These  
expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the Bagley property. If  
these items are not paid, Mr. Gomperts would default on the lease with  
the tenant incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which  
would negatively impact the value of the real property in excess of the  
amount of cash collateral Mr. Gomperts seeks authority to use. In  
addition to property expenses, Mr. Gomperts proposes to use rents  
generated from the Bagley property to fund plan payments to Wells  
Fargo and for ordinary living expenses for himself and his family.

1           ▪ Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use of  
2           cash collateral.

3           ○ 3538 Greenfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034:

4           ▪ Secured Creditor: Wells Fargo; Archway  
5           ▪ Value: \$1,300,000  
6           ▪ Monthly Rent: \$4,875  
7           ▪ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, Mr. Gomperts incurs expenses in  
8           the ordinary course of business to maintain and repair the property,  
9           respond to tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis,  
10          these property expenses are estimated at \$906 per the Greenfield annual  
11          cash flow, attached to the Gomperts Declaration as **Exhibit 6**. These  
12          expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the Greenfield property.  
13          If these items are not paid, Mr. Gomperts would default on the lease with  
14          the tenant incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which  
15          would negatively impact the value of the real property in excess of the  
16          amount of cash collateral Mr. Gomperts seeks authority to use. In  
17          addition to property expenses, Mr. Gomperts proposes to use rents  
18          generated from the Greenfield property to fund plan payments to secured  
19          creditors and for ordinary living expenses for himself and his family.

20           ▪ Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use of  
21           cash collateral. Archway does not consent to the use of any of its cash  
22           collateral.

23           ● Susan Halevy:

24           ○ 133 S. Palm Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 09212:

25           ▪ Secured Creditor: First Foundation Bank; Archway  
26           ▪ Value: \$2,500,000  
27           ▪ Monthly Rent: \$11,529

1           ■ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, Ms. Halevy incurs expenses in the  
2 ordinary course of business to maintain and repair the property, respond  
3 to tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis, these  
4 property expenses are estimated at \$2,833 per the S. Palm annual cash  
5 flow, attached to the Gomperts Declaration as **Exhibit 7**. These expenses  
6 are critical to maintaining the value of the S. Palm property. If these items  
7 are not paid, Ms. Halevy would default on the leases with the tenants  
8 incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would  
9 have an immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property,  
10 reducing its value by 25-30%. In addition to property expenses, Ms.  
11 Halevy proposes to use cash collateral generated from the S. Palm  
12 property to fund plan payments to secured creditors and for ordinary  
13 living expenses for herself and her family.

14           ■ Secured Creditor Consent. First Foundation Bank has not consented to  
15 the use of cash collateral. Archway does not consent to the use of any of  
16 its cash collateral.

17           ○ 140 S. Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 09212 (50% interest):

18           ■ Secured Creditor: Chase Bank

19           ■ Value: \$2,150,000 (Susan Halevy's 50% interest); \$4,300,000 (entire  
20 property including non-debtor 50% interest)

21           ■ Secured Debt: \$2,090,481.53 (on entire property)

22           ■ Monthly Rent: \$13,672 (50% interest)

23           ■ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, the partnership that owns Roxbury  
24 incurs expenses in the ordinary course of business to maintain and repair  
25 the property, respond to tenant issues, and pay taxes. Ms. Halevy receives  
26 a quarterly profit distribution from the partnership. On a monthly average  
27 basis, her 50% share of these property expenses are estimated at \$4,483  
28 per the Roxbury budget, attached to the Gomperts Declaration as

**Exhibit 8.** These expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the Roxbury property. If these items are not paid, Ms. Halevy would default on the leases with the tenants incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would have an immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property, reducing its value by 25-30%. In addition to property expenses, Ms. Halevy proposes to use her 50% share of rents generated from the Roxbury property to fund plan payments to Chase Bank and for ordinary living expenses for herself and her family.

- Secured Creditor Consent. Chase Bank has not consented to the use of cash collateral.

The following properties are pledged as collateral to the secured creditors, but they do not generate rent and are not implicated by this Motion:

- Broadway: Archway
- Daniel Halevy:
  - Horner: Athas; Archway

## II. ARGUMENT

**A. The Debtors Should be Authorized to Use Cash Collateral Pursuant to  
11 U.S.C. § 363 to Operate, Maintain, and Preserve Assets of the Estates**

The Debtors' use of property of the estates is governed by Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code. Section 363(c)(1) provides in pertinent part:

If the business of the debtor is authorized to be operated under section ... 1108... of this title and unless the court orders otherwise, the trustee may enter into transactions, including the sale or lease of property of the estate, in the ordinary course of business, without notice or a hearing, and may use property of the estate in the ordinary course of business without notice or a hearing.

11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(1). A debtor in possession has all of the rights and powers of a trustee with respect to property of the estate, including the right to use property of the estate in compliance with Section 363. *See* 11 U.S.C. § 1107(a).

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1       “Cash collateral” is defined as:

2                   cash, negotiable instruments, documents of title, securities, deposit  
3                   accounts, or other cash equivalents whenever acquired in which the  
4                   estate and an entity other than the estate have an interest and  
5                   includes the proceeds, products, offspring, rents, or profits of  
6                   property and the fees, charges, accounts or other payments for the  
7                   use or occupancy of rooms and other public facilities in hotels,  
8                   motels, or other lodging properties subject to a security interest as  
9                   provided in section 552(b) of this title, whether existing before or  
10                  after the commencement of a case under this title.

11 U.S.C. § 363(a). Section 363(c)(2) establishes a special requirement with respect to “cash  
12 collateral,” providing that the trustee or debtor in possession may use “cash collateral” under  
13 subsection (c)(1) if “each entity that has interest in such cash collateral consents; or . . . the court,  
14 after notice and a hearing, authorizes such use, sale or lease in accordance with the provisions of  
15 this section.” 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2)(A) and (B).

16       Where a debtor is operating a business, it is extremely important that access to cash  
17 collateral be allowed to facilitate the goal of reorganization, as “the purpose of Chapter 11 is to  
18 rehabilitate debtors and generally access to cash collateral is necessary to operate a business”. *In re*  
19 *Dynaco Corp.*, 162 B.R. 389, 394 (Bankr. D.N.H. 1993), quoting *In re Stein*, 19 B.R. 458, 459  
20 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 1982). It is in the best interest of the estate and its creditors to continue to maintain  
21 the Debtor’s business operations, as a shut-down would significantly reduce the value of the  
22 business and its real property and generate little to no recovery for general unsecured creditors.  
23 Furthermore, funding for the reorganization is dependent upon ongoing business operations.

24       Seaton and Colyton, SLA, Negev, S. Palm, and Roxbury are operated as commercial  
25 properties. Seaton and Colyton, SLA, and Negev lease to commercial tenants. S. Palm and Roxbury  
26 operate multi-tenant apartment buildings. Canfield, Bagley, Greenfield lease to single-family  
27 tenants. In all Cases, the Debtors operate businesses that rely upon the ongoing revenue generated  
28 from tenants to maintain the value of the real property and that will provide cash flow to fund plan  
payments for all creditors including general unsecured creditors.

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1           **B.       Secured Creditors are Adequately Protected**

2           Pursuant to § 363(c)(2), the Court may authorize the debtor to use a secured creditor's cash  
3 collateral if the secured creditor is adequately protected. *In re Mellor*, 734 F.2d 1396, 1400 (9th  
4 Cir. 1984); *see also In re O'Connor*, 808 F.2d 1393, 1398 (10th Cir. 1987); *In re McCombs*  
5 *Properties VI, Ltd.*, 88 B.R. 261, 265 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 1988). Under *United Savings Association*  
6 *v. Timbers of Inwood Forest Associates*, 484 U.S. 365 (1988) and subsequent case law, the property  
7 interest that a debtor must adequately protect pursuant to § 361(1) and (2) is only the value of the  
8 lien that secures the creditor's claim. *Id.*; *see also McCombs*, 88 B.R. at 266 (stating that section  
9 506(a) "limit[s] the secured status of a creditor (*i.e.*, the secured creditor's claim) to the lesser of  
10 the [allowed amount of the] claim or the value of the collateral"). Similarly, in *Robert Neier v.*  
11 *Clark Oil & Refining Corp. (In re Apex Oil Company)*, 85 B.R. 538, 541 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. 1988),  
12 the Bankruptcy Court, relying exclusively on *Timbers*, denied adequate protection to a husband and  
13 wife holding over-secured claims because "[n]o evidence was presented that the value of the  
14 [collateral] would diminish during the course of [the] Chapter 11 proceeding." *Id.*

15           To the extent that an entity has a valid security interest in the revenues generated by  
16 property, including rents, those revenues constitute "cash collateral" under 11 U.S.C. § 363(a) and  
17 552(b)(2). As such, the secured creditors' collateral increases on a dollar-for-dollar basis as the  
18 Debtors collect rent post-petition. Therefore, the adequate protection required for the use of cash  
19 collateral is equal to the cash collateral proposed to be used as set forth herein.

20           For KDM – across Seaton and Colyton – the proposed use of cash collateral totals \$34,000  
21 – \$39,000 per month. KDM consents to the use of all but \$10,000 of the proposed use of cash  
22 collateral per month that would require adequate protection. In all other instances set forth herein,  
23 adequate protection applies to the entirety of the cash collateral that is sought to be used.

24           **1. Certain Secured Creditors Interests are Adequately Protected by an Equity**  
25           **Cushion**

26           The existence of an "equity cushion," (the value of the collateral in excess of the amount of  
27 the secured claim), "is the classic form of protection for a secured debt.". *In re Mellor*, 734 F.2d  
28 1396, 1400 (9th Cir. 1984). *Accord, In re Llewellyn*, 27 B.R. 481 (Bankr. M.D. Pa. 1983); *In re*

1       *San Clemente Estates*, 5 B.R. 605 (Bankr. S.D. Cal. 1980); *In re Statbucker*, 4 B.R. 251 (Bankr. D.  
2       Neb. 1980). “[T]he existence of an equity cushion, standing alone, can provide adequate  
3       protection.” *Id.*, at 1400. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in *In re Mellor*, 734 F.2d 1396, 1400  
4       (9th Cir. 1984) found that an equity cushion of twenty percent (20%) constitutes adequate  
5       protection of a creditor’s interest.

6                  For certain of the Debtors’ properties, the equity cushion far exceeds the amount of the  
7       secured claims. Specifically, significant equity cushions provide adequate protection for the secured  
8       claims of Harvest, Wells Fargo, First Foundation, and Chase Bank.

9                  The Harvest loan on SLA is approximately \$1.8 million on value of \$3.5 million (equity  
10      cushion of approximately 94% equity cushion). The Wells Fargo loan on Greenfield is  
11      approximately \$182,000 on value of \$1.3 million (equity cushion of over 600%). The Wells Fargo  
12      loan on Bagley is approximately \$728,000 on value of \$2.5 million (equity cushion of over 200%).  
13      The Wells Fargo loan on Canfield is approximately \$364,000 on value of \$2.0 million (equity  
14      cushion of over 400%). The First Foundation loan on S. Palm is approximately \$1,515,000 on value  
15      of \$2.5 million (equity cushion of 65%). The Chase Bank loan on Roxbury is approximately  
16      \$2,090,000 and is secured by the entirety of the property – not just Ms. Halevy’s 50% interest –  
17      which has value of \$4.3 million (equity cushion of 100%). Even if these cases should continue for  
18      a year, each of these properties has more than enough equity cushion to adequately protect the  
19      Debtors’ hypothetical use of all the cash collateral collected post-petition over this period, and then  
20      some.

21                  **2. Archway’s and KDM’s Interests are Protected by the Preservation of Real**  
22                  **Property Value**

23                  Section 361 of Bankruptcy Code explicitly provides that “adequate protection may be  
24      provided by...granting such other relief... as will result in the realization by such entity of the  
25      indubitable equivalent of such entity’s interest in such property.” 11 U.S.C. § 361(3). With respect  
26      to the security interest asserted by Archway (SLA, Negev, Greenfield, and S. Palm) and KDM  
27      (Seaton and Colyton), those interests are adequately protected by limiting the use of cash collateral  
28      to the attached budgets and cash flows. The use of cash collateral set forth in these budgets and

1 cash flows is necessary to maintain the value of the real property for which the cash collateral would  
2 be used. Absent the proposed use of cash collateral for these properties, their value will instantly  
3 decline in significant amounts that far exceed the proposed use of cash collateral as set forth in the  
4 Gomperts Declaration. This Court has held that committing cash collateral for operating expenses  
5 that maintain and improve the property, cash collateral is adequately protected. *In re McCombs*  
6 *Properties VI, Ltd.*, 88 B.R. 261, 267 (“By dedicating cash collateral for...[the maintenance and  
7 improvement of the property], debtor has substantially eliminated the risk of diminution of...[the  
8 secured creditor’s] interest in cash collateral. The more likely scenario is that cash collateral will  
9 increase.”). See also *In re River W. Plaza-Chicago, LLC*, 2010 Bankr. LEXIS 5378, \*3 (“As  
10 adequate protection, the Debtor shall continue operating Joffco Square and use the Cash Collateral  
11 to pay operating and overhead expenses of Joffco Square, as more specifically set forth in the  
12 Operating Budget.”); see also *In re Forest Ridge, II, Ltd. Partnership*, 116 B.R. 937, 949 (Bankr.  
13 W.D.N.C. 1990) (“To the extent any cash collateral of Debtor Forest Ridge is used to pay actual,  
14 reasonable, and necessary operating expenses related to the operation of Debtor Forest Ridge’s  
15 property, Boston Company is adequately protected by an order which restricts Debtor Forest  
16 Ridge’s use of cash collateral to the payment of actual, reasonable, and necessary operating  
17 expenses, and requires Debtor Forest Ridge to escrow net operating income for further disposition  
18 pursuant to an order confirming its Plan, or other order of Court.”)

19           **3. Archway’s and KDM’s Interests May be Further Protected by Replacement**

20           **Liens in Non-Debtor Real Property**

21           Section 361 of Bankruptcy Code explicitly provides that “adequate protection may be  
22 provided by . . . an additional or replacement lien to the extent that such . . . use [of cash collateral]  
23 results in a decrease in the value of such entity’s interest in such property.” 11 U.S.C. § 361(2);  
24 See *Timbers*, 484 U.S. at 370. With respect to the security interest asserted by any of the secured  
25 creditors in the assets, their interests will be further protected through a replacement lien in the post-  
26 petition accounts receivable to the same extent and with the same validity of their pre-petition liens.

1           341 S. Canon LLC<sup>3</sup> owns the real property located at 341 S. Canon, Beverly Hills, CA  
2 90212 (the “Replacement Collateral”). To the extent the Court deems the maintenance of value  
3 provided by the use of rents for property expenses to be insufficient adequate protection, the  
4 Debtors are able to offer Archway and KDM a replacement lien in the Replacement Collateral to  
5 the extent the authorized use of rents diminishes the value of the lenders’ collateral during these  
6 cases. The Replacement Collateral has a first lien in the outstanding amount of \$1,300,000 and has  
7 a value of \$2,600,000. The Replacement Collateral could incur total liens of \$2,166,667 and still  
8 maintain a 20% equity cushion, which equates to the availability of \$866,667 of equity to be  
9 pledged as a replacement lien for the Debtors’ use of cash collateral. As set forth herein and in the  
10 chart attached to the Gomperts Declaration as **Exhibit 9**, the maximum need for adequate protection  
11 for Archway is \$35,704. Combined with the \$10,000 KDM adequate protection requirement, there  
12 is a monthly maximum total of \$45,704 of cash collateral that could require replacement liens for  
13 adequate protection.

14           Archway and KDM will share a *pari passu* lien priority to the extent of any diminution of  
15 value of their cash collateral. Assuming, arguendo, that all of the cash collateral at issue is spent  
16 and all of the cash collateral requires a replacement lien to provide adequate protection - \$45,704 –  
17 the Replacement Collateral can support 19 months of adequate protection.

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28           <sup>3</sup> Susan Halevy is the 100% owner of 341 S. Canon LLC.

### **III. CONCLUSION**

For the reasons set forth herein, the Debtors seek an order authorizing use of post-petition cash collateral as set forth herein on the grounds that: (i) the cash collateral of Harvest, Wells Fargo, First Foundation, and Chase Bank is adequately protected with an equity cushion in their real property collateral; (ii) KDM has consented to the use of its cash collateral other than the management fee; and (iii) the cash collateral of KDM (as to the proposed \$10,000 management fee) and Archway are adequately protected by the preservation and maintenance of their real property collateral value or alternatively by a replacement lien in the Replacement Collateral.

Dated: June 7, 2024

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## **DECLARATION OF ALAN D. GOMPERTS**

I, Alan D. Gomperts, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the managing member of Seaton Investments, LLC. I am a manager of Broadway Avenue Investments, LLC and SLA Investments, LLC. I am an authorized representative of Colyton Investments, LLC, Negev Investments, LLC.

2. I make this declaration in support of the *Debtor’s Motion for Entry of Order for Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2)* (the “Motion”), to which this declaration is attached. All capitalized terms not specifically defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

3. I have been intimately involved in the business investment and ventures with my brother-in-law Daniel Halevy, mother-in-law Susan Halevy, and now deceased father-in-law David Halevy for decades, including all of the corporate Debtors implicated by this Motion. As such, I am familiar with the management, operations, finances, and books and records of the corporate Debtors specifically and generally as to Susan Halevy and Daniel Halevy. I have either created or reviewed and approved the spreadsheets attached in support of this Declaration, which are the business records of the respective Debtors to which they apply.

4. On March 18, 2024 (the "Individual Petition Date") and on March 19, 2024 (the "Corporate Petition Date"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code with the Court. The Debtors continue to operate and manage their affairs as debtors and debtors-in-possession.

5. The Individual Debtors are family and we operate a family business together. Debtor Susan Halevy is mother to debtor Daniel Halevy and three other non-debtor children, including Sharon Gomperts, my wife.

6. Susan's husband, my father-in-law, David Halevy (deceased), together with Daniel and I, and on occasion non-debtor Simon Harkham, invest in and operate real estate properties, including debtors Seaton, Broadway and SLA. Upon David Halevy's passing in 2023, his interests, to the extent they were not community property, passed to Susan via the Halevy Trust. As such,

1 Susan Halevy is now the owner – direct, beneficial, equitable, or otherwise – of all interests in the  
2 various Debtors previously owned by David Halevy.

3       7. These Bankruptcy Cases present two real estate investments that require a  
4 restructuring to address defaults on their senior loans: (1) the buildings at 440 Seaton Street, Los  
5 Angeles, CA, 90013 (the “Seaton Building”), and 421 Colyton Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90013 (the  
6 “Colyton Building”), which together are operated as an economic unit (the “Seaton/Colyton  
7 Buildings”) and are owned by Debtors Seaton and Colyton, respectively; and (2) the building at  
8 737 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, CA, 90014 (the “Broadway Building”), owned by Debtor  
9 Broadway.

10       8. The Individual Debtors have each jointly and severally guaranteed (1) certain debt  
11 owed to KDM California LLC (“KDM”) on account of KDM’s \$37.1 million in principal amount  
12 loaned jointly to Seaton and Colyton and secured by the Seaton/Colyton Buildings, and (2)  
13 approximately \$19.1 million of loans made by Archway Capital (“Archway”) on account of the  
14 Broadway Building (the “Broadway Loans”). The Individual Debtors’ guaranty liability to  
15 Archway is bifurcated into secured and unsecured tranches. Approximately \$15 million of  
16 Archway’s Broadway Loans are made directly to Broadway and guaranteed by the Individual  
17 Debtors without collateral. Approximately \$4 million of Archway’s Broadway Loans are made  
18 pursuant to three loans to related entities or groups and are secured by pledges of various real  
19 properties owned by the Individual Debtors, 1040 S. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA (owned  
20 and pledged by SLA), and 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, CA (owned and pledged by  
21 Negev).

22       9. Archway has commenced an action against the Individual Debtors where it has  
23 sought pre-judgment writs of attachment against Daniel Halevy and me. Archway has also  
24 commenced foreclosure proceedings against the properties owned by the Individual Debtors, SLA,  
25 and Negev to recover on their guarantees and collateral. KDM has commenced an action against  
26 Seaton and Colyton for appointment of a receiver.

27       10. Seaton was formed in March 2010 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and  
28 operating the Seaton Building. Seaton’s membership consists of: (1) the Halevy Family Trust dated

1 September 6, 2010 (the “Halevy Trust,” Susan Halevy, beneficial owner); (2) the Gomperts and  
2 Halevy Family Trust (the “G&H Trust,” of which my wife Sharon Gomperts and I are beneficial  
3 owners of community property); (3) Daniel Halevy; and (4) Simon Harkham.

4 11. Colyton was formed in June 2011 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and  
5 operating the Colyton Building. Colyton is owned 100% by Susan Halevy as the beneficiary of the  
6 Halevy Trust. The Seaton/Colyton Buildings are adjacent to each other and together form a jigsaw  
7 of structures that are operated by Seaton and Colyton as a single economic unit. They also share  
8 overhead costs and are held out to the market as a common opportunity for the lease of commercial  
9 space.

10 12. In or about 2018, Seaton’s members determined the Seaton Building needed a full  
11 structural upgrade in order to compete for top-of-the-market tenants in the burgeoning downtown  
12 arts district. Seaton took out a series of construction and bridge loans to finance a full modernization  
13 of the Seaton Building. The Seaton Building upgrade and development was a many years  
14 undertaking requiring careful and intensive coordination with the City of Los Angeles to preserve  
15 historical structures and to benefit from programs designed to reward historical preservation.

16 13. The investment in the Seaton Building attracted a multi-decade letter-of-intent from  
17 WeWork to lease an entire structure (100%) of the Seaton Building. Unfortunately, when WeWork  
18 experienced financial difficulties in 2019, the WeWork LOI was withdrawn, and Seaton was in the  
19 unenviable position of looking for a major anchor tenant to replace WeWork (or multiple smaller  
20 tenants) as the country entered the COVID lockdown. Having invested over \$20 million into the  
21 Seaton Building, Seaton pushed forward with completion of the Seaton Building upgrades.

22 14. In or about April 2021, Seaton refinanced its outstanding loans with KDM. KDM, KDM,  
23 Seaton, and Colyton entered into a \$35.1 million loan that consolidated all of their then outstanding  
24 loans and that provided additional working capital for Seaton and Colyton (the “KDM First Loan”)  
25 to complete the Seaton Building remodel. KDM required the KDM First Loan to be a joint  
26 obligation of both Seaton and Colyton, reflecting their operation as a single economic unit. As part  
27 of its diligence, KDM obtained a third-party valuation of the Seaton/Colyton Buildings by Bowery  
28 that valued the Seaton/Colyton Buildings as a single economic unit and concluded their current

1 combined projected value to be \$64.4 million as of February 17, 2021 (upon completion of  
2 upgrades) and \$70.2 million as of August 17, 2021 (stabilized).

3       15. In January 2022, behind on both the completion of their remodel and lease-up due  
4 to the impact of the extended COVID shutdown, Seaton and Colyton closed on a supplementary \$2  
5 million loan from KDM (the “KDM Second Loan”) for additional capital needed to complete work  
6 required for the issuance of a certificate of occupancy by the City of Los Angeles. In connection  
7 with the KDM Second Loan David Halevy (now deceased, and therefore as to Susan Halevy only  
8 an in rem obligation against community assets now owned by Susan Halevy via the Halevy Trust),  
9 Daniel Halevy, and I provided personal guarantees to KDM (together, the “KDM Guarantors”).

10      16. Unfortunately, the KDM Second Loan was not sufficient to allow Seaton and  
11 Colyton to avoid defaults caused by the COVID pandemic. Because of prolonged COVID-19  
12 related shutdowns and work-at-home orders, and, in particular, the closure of the Los Angeles  
13 Department of Building and Safety (the “LADBS”) and the remote work-only status of all of its  
14 plan checkers for a protracted period, LADBS building plan approvals were severely slowed and  
15 took far longer than anticipated. This, and a stagnant leasing market, led to Seaton’s and Colyton’s  
16 defaults on the KDM First Loan and the KDM Second Loan in 2023.

17      17. Seaton did eventually obtain a certificate of occupancy on the remodeled structure  
18 in January 2024. As of the Petition Date, 47% of the Seaton/Colyton Buildings are leased and  
19 negotiations are in-process for leases on the remaining 53% of the Seaton/Colyton Buildings. After  
20 hitting a market low in the fourth quarter of 2023, commercial real estate has experienced a modest  
21 recovery and the Debtors expect the market to continue to strengthen over the coming months and  
22 years. As of the Petition Date, the outstanding debt owed to KDM totals \$36,240,750 on account  
23 of the KDM First Loan and \$2,091,840 on account of the KDM Second Loan.

24      18. Broadway was formed in July 2013 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and  
25 operating the Broadway Building. Broadway’s membership consists of: (1) the Halevy Trust (Susan  
26 Halevy, beneficial owner); (2) the G&H Trust (of which my wife Sharon Gomperts and I are  
27 beneficial owners of community property); and (3) Daniel Halevy.

1       19. Broadway acquired the Broadway Building in 2013. The Broadway Building is an  
2 eight-story structure. At the time it was acquired by Broadway only the ground floor was habitable.  
3 Broadway understands the seven higher floors had not been occupied since the 1950s. In 2015,  
4 Broadway entered into a 15-year lease with The GAP for the ground floor of the Broadway Building  
5 and developed a plan to remodel and modernize the entire Broadway Building to make every floor  
6 habitable and available to lease to commercial tenants.

7       20. A majority of the intensive remodel and modernization of the Broadway Building  
8 took place between 2015 and 2020. The improvements that were performed included the  
9 rehabilitation of the façade of the first three floors of the Broadway Building per the guidance of  
10 the Cultural Heritage Commission, installation of a fire and life safety system throughout the  
11 building, modernization of the elevator, installation of an HVAC system, fire pump and sprinkler  
12 system, emergency backup generator and replacement and installation of electric and plumbing  
13 systems throughout the building. In March 2020, after first confirming the full term of its lease, The  
14 GAP exercised a one-time early termination provision on its lease as the uncertainty of COVID  
15 began to take hold.

16       21. With an end to the remodel and modernization in sight, Broadway refinanced its  
17 outstanding loans with a single loan from Archway in July 2021, in the original principal amount  
18 of \$16,942,500 (the “Broadway Loan”). The Broadway Loan was guaranteed by David Halevy,  
19 Daniel Halevy, and me.

20       22. The Broadway Loan matured on August 1, 2022. After commencing an action for  
21 breach against its guarantors and filing a notice of default to begin foreclosure on the Broadway  
22 Building, the parties agreed to a restructure (the “Broadway Restructure”) that extended the  
23 maturity date of the Broadway Loan to December 1, 2023, affirmed the balance due under the  
24 Broadway Loan in the principal amount of \$15,241,093, and called for \$4 million in new loans (the  
25 “New Loans”) from Archway to benefit the Broadway Loan and the Broadway Building. The New  
26 Loans were made via three loan agreements: (1) to Negev for \$1,300,000 (the “Negev Loan”);  
27 (2) to SLA for \$125,000 (the “SLA Loan”); and (3) jointly to David Halevy, the Halevy Trust, the  
28 G&H Trust, Daniel Halevy and me for \$2,575,000 (the “Guarantor Loan”). The Negev Loan was

1 secured by the real property located at 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, California, and  
2 was guaranteed by David Halevy, with the guaranty secured by David Halevy's membership  
3 interests in Negev. The SLA Loan was secured by the real property located at 1040 S. Los Angeles  
4 Street and was guaranteed by David Halevy, Susan Halevy, Daniel Halevy and me, with the  
5 guarantees secured by the guarantors' membership interests in SLA. The Guarantor Loans were  
6 secured by the following real property: (1) 3538 Greenfield Avenue, Los Angeles, California  
7 (owned by the G&H Trust); (2) 133 S. Palm Drive, Beverly Hills, California (owned by the Halevy  
8 Trust); and (3) 8561 Horner Street, Los Angeles, California (owned by Daniel Halevy). The \$4  
9 million of proceeds from the New Loans were distributed exclusively for the benefit of Archway  
10 and the Broadway Loan, with \$1,701,407.01 applied to pay down the balance of the Broadway  
11 Loan.

12 23. As of the Petition Date, the outstanding debt owed to Archway is \$15,663,398 on  
13 the Broadway Loan, \$1,336,020 on the Negev Loan, \$128,958 on the SLA Loan, and \$2,646,348.96  
14 on the Guarantor Loan.

15 24. Negev owns a motel located at 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, CA (the  
16 "Motel"). The Motel has 26-rooms with five natural spring water pools. It has been operated by  
17 Seapiper Inn, Inc. ("Seapiper") since 2014. Negev is owned by the Halevy Trust. Seapiper is not a  
18 debtor in these proceedings. Negev became a borrower of Archway by the Broadway Restructure  
19 in 2023 as set forth above. As of the Petition Date, the outstanding balance owed on the Negev  
20 Loan is \$1,336,020.

21 25. SLA was formed in 2009 for the purpose of acquiring, developing, and operating  
22 commercial real property located at 1040 S. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA ("1040 South").  
23 As of the Petition Date, 13 of 18 spaces are leased. SLA's membership consists of: (1) the Halevy  
24 Trust; (2) the G&H Trust; (3) Daniel Halevy; and (4) Simon Harkham. SLA became a borrower of  
25 Archway by the Broadway Restructure in 2023 as set forth above. As of the Petition Date, the  
26 outstanding balance owed on the SLA Loan is \$128,958.

1        26. Susan Halevy (not directly but via her interest in the community property of David  
2 Halevy), the Halevy Trust, the G&H Trust, Daniel Halevy and I are guarantors of the Archway and  
3 KDM debt as follows:

4            • KDM Second Loan in the amount of \$2,091,841,<sup>4</sup> jointly and severally: the  
5            community assets of David Halevy (deceased), Daniel Halevy and me;  
6            • Broadway Loan in the amount of \$15,663,398, jointly and severally: the community  
7            assets of David Halevy (deceased), Daniel Halevy and me;  
8            • Negev Loan in the amount of \$1,336,020: Susan Halevy (not directly but via her  
9            sole ownership of community property);  
10          • SLA Loan in the amount of \$125,958: David Halevy (deceased), Susan Halevy,  
11          Daniel Halevy and me.

12        27. Susan Halevy (not directly but via her interest in the community property of David  
13 Halevy), the Halevy Trust, the G&H Trust, Daniel Halevy and I are also jointly and severally liable  
14 on the Guarantor Loan, which has a balance of \$ 2,646,348.96 as of the Petition Date.

15        28. The commercial buildings of four of the five corporate debtors (all but Negev) are  
16 jointly managed by Daniel Halevy (daily property management through Almighty Builders, Inc.)  
17 and me (financial management).

18        29. The secured creditors in the Debtors' Cases with interests in cash collateral and the  
19 corresponding properties and values for which the Debtors seek Court authorization to use cash  
20 collateral are as follows:

21            • Seaton and Colyton: KDM  
22              ○ Address: 431-433, 441 Colyton Street and 440 Seaton Street, Los Angeles,  
23              CA (Seaton); 421 Colyton Street, Los Angeles, CA (Colyton)  
24              ▪ Secured Creditor: KDM  
25              ▪ Value: \$39,000,000  
26              ▪ Seaton Monthly Rent: \$19,959.00

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28        <sup>4</sup> KDM has indicated the guaranty covers the entirety of its debt.

1           ■ Colyton Monthly Rent: \$34,850 (not including rent from Urban  
2           Outfitters which only runs through June 2024)  
3           ■ Joint Monthly Expenses: \$34,000 - \$39,000  
4           ■ Use of cash collateral. Per the Seaton and Colyton budgets attached  
5           as **Exhibit 1**, the properties incur regular monthly expenses  
6           consisting primarily of insurance, repairs, maintenance, utilities, and  
7           tenant/property management. These services and expenses are  
8           critical to maintaining the value of the Seaton and Colyton real  
9           property. If these items are not paid when due, Seaton and Colyton  
10          would default on the leases with their tenants incurring breach  
11          damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would have an  
12          immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property,  
13          reducing its value by 25-30%. The potential loss in value the property  
14          would suffer far exceeds the amount of cash collateral Seaton and  
15          Colyton seek authority to use. One component of the expenses Seaton  
16          and Colyton seek approval to pay from cash collateral is for property  
17          management services. The management fee is \$5,000 per month for  
18          each of Seaton and Colyton for a total of \$10,000 per month. The  
19          management services are provided by Almighty Builders, LLC  
20          ("Almighty Builders"), which is a company owned by Daniel  
21          Halevy, an insider to and partial owner of, Seaton and Colyton.  
22          Almighty Builders is responsible for repairs and maintenance, tenant  
23          improvements, tenant relations, and marketing and leasing. These  
24          services provided by Almighty Builders for which the management  
25          fee is earned are performed almost entirely by Daniel Halevy. These  
26          services provided by Almighty Builders to Seaton and Colyton are  
27          necessary to maintain the value of the real property. I believe the  
28          services are charged at a fair price and if not performed by Almighty

Builders, would need to be performed by some other management company at a rate that would likely be the same or more than that charged by Almighty Builders.

- Secured Creditor Consent. KDM has reviewed the budgets attached as Exhibit 1 and approves of the use of its cash collateral as set forth in those budgets, with the exception of the management fee.

- SLA:

- Address: 1040 S. Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA
  - Secured Creditor: Harvest Small Business Finance (SBA) (“Harvest”); Archway
  - Value: \$3,500,000
  - Monthly Rent: \$11,600
  - Monthly Expenses: \$7,353
  - Use of cash collateral: Per the SLA budget attached as **Exhibit 2**, the property incurs regular monthly expenses, primarily insurance, repairs, maintenance, utilities, and tenant/property management. These services and expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the SLA real property. If these items are not paid when due, SLA would default on the leases with their tenants incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would have an immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property, reducing its value by 15-20%. The potential loss in value the property would suffer far exceeds the amount of cash collateral SLA seeks authority to use. One component of the expenses SLA seeks approval to pay from cash collateral is for management services. The management fee is \$3,000 per month. The management services are provided by Almighty Builders. Almighty Builders is responsible for repairs and maintenance, tenant relations, and marketing and leasing.

These services provided by Almighty Builders for which the management fee is earned are performed almost entirely by Daniel Halevy. These services provided by Almighty Builders to SLA are necessary to maintain the value of the real property. The services are charged at a fair price and if not performed by Almighty Builders, would need to be performed by some other management company at a rate that would likely be the same or more than that charged by Almighty Builders.

- Secured Creditor Consent. Harvest has not consented to the use of cash collateral. Archway does not consent to the use of any of its cash collateral.

- Negev: Archway

- Address: 12800 Foxdale Drive, Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240
  - Secured Creditor: Archway
  - Value: \$2,800,000
  - Monthly Room Revenue: \$3,700 - \$14,200 per month in 2024; average monthly room revenue of \$7,700 over the first four months of 2024.
  - Monthly Expenses: \$6,060 (monthly average)
  - Use of cash collateral<sup>5</sup>: The Foxdale property is an operating motel. It has been operated by Seapiper, which has common ownership with Negev, since the property was acquired. Pursuant to the management agreement between Negev and Seapiper, Seapiper collects all revenue generated by Foxdale and pays all expenses of the property

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<sup>5</sup> Negev does not admit that post-petition room revenue collected by Seapiper is cash collateral, but does not put this issue before the Court. Instead, Negev seeks authorization to use post-petition room revenue as if it was cash collateral and provide adequate protection to the extent deemed appropriate by the Court.

1 and motel operations. Profits, when available, are distributed as  
2 directed by Negev. The motel operations are somewhat seasonal but  
3 on average over the course of the past four years, operations are about  
4 break-even. Per the Seapiper monthly budget, attached as **Exhibit 3**,  
5 the property incurs monthly expenses for operation including  
6 merchant account fees, insurance, landscaping and groundskeeping,  
7 repairs, maintenance, utilities, taxes and licenses, and property  
8 management. These services and expenses are critical to maintaining  
9 the value of the Foxdale property. If these items are not paid, the  
10 motel would close, which would have an immediate and drastic  
11 impact on the value of the real property reducing its value by 30-  
12 35%. The potential loss in value the property would suffer far  
13 exceeds the amount of potential cash collateral Negev seeks authority  
14 for Seapiper to use.

- 15     ▪ Secured Creditor Consent. Archway does not consent to the use of  
16         any of its cash collateral.

17     • Alan Gomperts:

18         ○ 2247 S. Canfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034

- 19         ▪ Secured Creditor: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage (“Wells Fargo”)
- 20         ▪ Value: \$2,000,000
- 21         ▪ Secured Debt: \$363,480
- 22         ▪ Monthly Rent: \$6,900 (increased from \$6,600 in April 2024)
- 23         ▪ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, I incur expenses in the ordinary  
24             course of business to maintain and repair the property, respond to  
25             tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis, these  
26             property expenses are estimated at \$1,816 per the Canfield annual  
27             cash flow, attached as **Exhibit 4**. These expenses are critical to  
28             maintaining the value of the Canfield property. If these items are not

paid, I would default on the lease with the tenant incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would negatively impact the value of the real property in excess of the amount of cash collateral I seek authority to use. In addition to property expenses, I propose to use rents generated from the Canfield property to fund plan payments to Wells Fargo and for ordinary living expenses for my family.

- Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use of cash collateral.

○ 2220 Bagley Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034

- Secured Creditor: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage
- Value: \$2,500,000
- Secured Debt: \$728,121
- Monthly Rent: \$5,550
- Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, I incur expenses in the ordinary course of business to maintain and repair the property, respond to tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis, these property expenses are estimated at \$2,665 per the Bagley annual cash flow, attached as **Exhibit 5**. These expenses are critical to maintaining the value of the Bagley property. If these items are not paid, I would default on the lease with the tenant incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would negatively impact the value of the real property in excess of the amount of cash collateral I seek authority to use. In addition to property expenses, I propose to use rents generated from the Bagley property to fund plan payments to Wells Fargo and for ordinary living expenses for my family.

1           ■ Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use  
2           of cash collateral.

3           ○ 3538 Greenfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034:

4           ■ Secured Creditor: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage; Archway  
5           ■ Value: \$1,300,000  
6           ■ Monthly Rent: \$4,875  
7           ■ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, I incur expenses in the ordinary  
8           course of business to maintain and repair the property, respond to  
9           tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis, these  
10          property expenses are estimated at \$906 per the Greenfield annual  
11          cash flow, attached as **Exhibit 6**. These expenses are critical to  
12          maintaining the value of the Greenfield property. If these items are  
13          not paid, I would default on the lease with the tenant incurring breach  
14          damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would negatively  
15          impact the value of the real property in excess of the amount of cash  
16          collateral I seek authority to use. In addition to property expenses, I  
17          propose to use rents generated from the Greenfield property to fund  
18          plan payments to secured creditors and for ordinary living expenses  
19          for my family.

20           ■ Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use  
21           of cash collateral. Archway does not consent to the use of any of its  
22          cash collateral.

23           ● Susan Halevy:

24           ○ 133 S. Palm Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 09212:

25           ■ Secured Creditor: First Foundation Bank; Archway  
26           ■ Value: \$2,500,000  
27           ■ Monthly Rent: \$11,529

1           ■ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, Ms. Halevy incurs expenses in  
2           the ordinary course of business to maintain and repair the property,  
3           respond to tenant issues, and pay taxes. On a monthly average basis,  
4           these property expenses are estimated at \$2,833 per the S. Palm  
5           annual cash flow, attached as **Exhibit 7**. These expenses are critical  
6           to maintaining the value of the S. Palm property. If these items are  
7           not paid, Ms. Halevy would default on the leases with the tenants  
8           incurring breach damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would  
9           have an immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real  
10          property, reducing its value by 25-30%. In addition to property  
11          expenses, Ms. Halevy proposes to use cash collateral generated from  
12          the S. Palm property to fund plan payments to secured creditors and  
13          for ordinary living expenses for herself and her family.

14          ■ Secured Creditor Consent. Wells Fargo has not consented to the use  
15          of cash collateral. Archway does not consent to the use of any of its  
16          cash collateral.

17          ○ 140 S. Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 09212 (50% interest):  
18           ■ Secured Creditor: Chase Bank  
19           ■ Value: \$2,150,000 (Susan Halevy's 50% interest); \$4,300,000 (entire  
20          property including non-debtor 50% interest)  
21           ■ Secured Debt: \$2,090,481.53 (on entire property)  
22           ■ Monthly Rent: \$13,672 (50% interest)  
23           ■ Use of cash collateral: As a landlord, the partnership that owns  
24          Roxbury incurs expenses in the ordinary course of business to  
25          maintain and repair the property, respond to tenant issues, and pay  
26          taxes. Ms. Halevy receives a quarterly profit distribution from the  
27          partnership. On a monthly average basis, her 50% share of these  
28          property expenses are estimated at \$4,483 per the Roxbury budget,

1 attached as **Exhibit 8**. These expenses are critical to maintaining the  
2 value of the Roxbury property. If these items are not paid, Ms.  
3 Halevy would default on the leases with the tenants incurring breach  
4 damages and potential loss of tenancy, which would have an  
5 immediate and drastic impact on the value of the real property,  
6 reducing its value by 25-30%. In addition to property expenses, Ms.  
7 Halevy proposes to use her 50% share of rents generated from the  
8 Roxbury property to fund plan payments to Chase Bank and for  
9 ordinary living expenses for herself and her family.

10 ▪ Secured Creditor Consent. Chase Bank has not consented to the use  
11 of cash collateral.

12 30. Seaton and Colyton, SLA, Negev, S. Palm, and Roxbury are operated as commercial  
13 properties. Seaton and Colyton, SLA, and Negev lease to commercial tenants. S. Palm and Roxbury  
14 operate multi-tenant apartment buildings. Canfield, Bagley, Greenfield lease to single-family  
15 tenants. In all cases, the debtors operate businesses that rely upon the ongoing revenue generated  
16 from tenants to maintain the value of the real property and that will provide cash flow to fund plan  
17 payments for all creditors including general unsecured creditors.

18 31. The use of cash collateral set forth in these budgets and cash flows is necessary to  
19 maintain the value of the real property for which the cash collateral would be used. Absent the  
20 proposed use of cash collateral for these properties, their value will instantly decline in significant  
21 amounts that far exceed the proposed use of cash collateral.

22 32. The property management services needed for the property owned by Seaton,  
23 Colyton, and SLA are outlined in the Declaration of Daniel Halevy. Pre-petition, provision of these  
24 property management services has required the full-time and after-hours work of Daniel Halevy.  
25 Daniel is able to efficiently provide these property management services due to his years of  
26 knowledge and experience with these properties, which is proposed to continue post-petition  
27 exclusively through Almighty Builders, LLC. If Seaton, Colyton, and SLA are forced to retain a  
28 new property management company, I believe the services needed for their properties would require

at least two full time employees in addition to 24-hour on-call services. Furthermore, it would take many months for a new property management company to develop the current level of service that Almighty Builders, LLC can provide, which can only come through time and experience. I believe the \$10,000 per month property management fee for Seaton/Colyton and \$3,000 per month property management fee for SLA are a tremendous value to these Debtors and these management fees are fair and equitable in all respects.

33. The chart attached as **Exhibit 9**, sets forth values of the Archway collateral and cash collateral amounts and the cash collateral for non-Archway secured lenders, other than KDM.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, at Los Angeles, California.

  
ALAN D. GOMPERTS

## **EXHIBIT 1**

**Seaton/Colyton**

**Seaton / Colyton Consolidated  
Monthly Cash Flow**

**Rental Income:**

**Seaton:**

Monfrere	10,815.00
Silver Jeans	9,144.00
<b>Seaton Rent</b>	<b><u>19,959.00</u></b>

**Colyton:**

Diguisse Systems, Inc.	24,850.00
Relativity Architects	10,000.00
Urban Outfitters	15,760.00
<b>Colyton Rent</b>	<b><u>50,610.00</u></b>

**Total Rent:**

**70,569.00**

**Fixed Seaton Expenses:**

Property Taxes	-
Insurance	7,916.67
<b>Total Fixed Seaton Expenses</b>	<b><u>7,916.67</u></b>

**Fixed Colyton Expenses:**

Property Taxes	-
Insurance	1,570.00
<b>Total Fixed Colyton Expenses</b>	<b><u>1,570.00</u></b>

**Total Fixed Expenses:**

**9,486.67**

**Seaton Operating Expenses:**

Tenant Improvement Expenses	5,000.00
Bank Service Charges	100.00
Equipment lease, parking	-
Repairs and Maintenance	5,900.00
Taxes & Licenses	100.00
Utilities	2,723.00
<b>Total Seaton Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>13,823.00</u></b>

**Colyton Operating Expenses:**

Bank Service Charges	15.00
Repairs and Maintenance	4,300.00
Taxes & Licenses	100.00
Utilities	600.00
<b>Total Colyton Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>5,715.00</u></b>

**Joint Operating Expenses:**

Miscellaneous	1,500.00
Management Fee	10,000.00
<b>Total Joint Operating Expenses:</b>	<b><u>11,500.00</u></b>

**Total Operating Expenses**

**25,338.00**

**Total Expenses**

**34,824.67**

**Net Cash Flow**

**35,744.33**

Note 1: Property taxes are not included: Annual amount \$97,297 (Seaton), \$42,691 (Colyton)

## **EXHIBIT 2**

### **SLA**

**SLA Investments, LLC**  
**Monthly Cash Flow**

**Rental Income:**

Earth Bean Coffee	2,300.00
Pirate World	2,050.00
Tailor to Me	2,000.00
Miracle Watts Designer	1,000.00
Davix Foreman Recording	1,000.00
Secret Spot	1,000.00
NYA	1,000.00
Saul Good Clothing	1,250.00
<b>Total Rental Income</b>	<b><u>11,600.00</u></b>

**Expenses:**

Repairs and Maintenance	2,500.00
Management Fee	3,000.00
Utilities	1,333.00
Taxes and Licenses	100.00
Insurance	420.00
	<b><u>7,353.00</u></b>
<b>Net Cash</b>	<b><u>4,247.00</u></b>

Note: Property taxes are not included: Annual amount \$37,868

## **EXHIBIT 3**

**Seapiper**

**Seapiper Inn, Inc.**  
**Monthly Budget**

**Ordinary Income/Expense**

<b>Income</b>	
Lodging Sales	8,500.00
Total Income	8,500.00
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	
Merchant Account Fees	1,200.00
Total COGS	1,200.00
Gross Profit	7,300.00
<b>Expense</b>	
Automobile Expense	70.00
Bank Service Charges	10.00
Charitable Contribution	500.00
Housekeeping	700.00
Insurance Expense	420.00
Landscaping and Groundskeeping	1,300.00
Office Supplies	60.00
Repairs and Maintenance	2,300.00
Taxes and Licenses	200.00
Utilities	500.00
Total Expense	6,060.00
Net Ordinary Income	1,240.00
Net Income	1,240.00

## **EXHIBIT 4**

**Canfield**

Alan Gomperts  
2247 S. Canfield Ave.  
Los Angeles, CA 90034

Rental Income	\$
12 months @ \$6,600	<b>79,200.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Mortgage Interest	24,600.84
Property Taxes	12,339.06
Broker commission	-
Insurance	1,057.15
Homeowner Fees	753.46
Repairs est	6,500.00
Gardener	1,140.00
	<b>46,390.51</b>
Net income	<b><u>32,809.49</u></b>

## **EXHIBIT 5**

**Bagley**

Alan Gomperts  
2220 Bagley Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90034

Rental Income	\$
12 months @ \$5,550	<b>66,600.00</b>
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	<b>66,600.00</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Mortgage payment	48,038.52
Property Taxes	22,510.48
Insurance	1,485.15
Homeowner Fees	906.94
Repairs Est.	5,400.00
Pool man	900.00
Gardener	780.00
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	<b>80,021.09</b>

Net income	<hr/>
	<b>(13,421.09)</b>
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## **EXHIBIT 6**

**Greenfield**

**Alan Gomperts**  
3538 Greenfield Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90034

<b>Rental Income</b>	\$
12 months @ \$4,875/month	<u>58,500.00</u>
	<b><u>58,500.00</u></b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Mortgage Payment	17,002.92
Property Taxes	6,292.00
Commissions	-
Insurance	836.15
Repairs est	2,900.00
Gardener	840.00
	<u><b>27,871.07</b></u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u><b>30,628.93</b></u>

## **EXHIBIT 7**

**S. Palm**

133 S. Palm Drive  
Beverly Hills, CA 90212

2023

**Annual Income** 138,348

**Annual Expenses**

Insurance	4,200
Mortgage Interest	48,000
Repairs	3,200
Taxes	14,000
Utilities	12,600
Total Expenses	<hr/> 82,000

**Net Income** 56,348

## **EXHIBIT 8**

**Roxbury**

140 S Roxbury Drive  
Profit and Loss Sheet

	Annual
<b>Gross Rents</b>	<b>\$ 328,138.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Insurance	\$ 3,877.00
Legal and Accounting Fees	\$ 625.00
Interest	\$ 78,750.00
Repairs	\$ 21,033.00
Property Taxes	\$ 34,662.00
Business Tax	\$ 3,730.00
Utilities	\$ 39,044.00
Depreciation	\$ 1,263.00
Amortization	\$ 119.00
Maintenance	\$ 4,629.00
	<b>\$ 187,732.00</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 140,406.00</b>
<b>Susan Halevy 50% Share</b>	<b>\$ 70,203.00</b>
<b>Susan Halevy Monthly Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 5,850.25</b>

## **EXHIBIT 9**

### **Cash Collateral**

**Archway Collateral:**

Property	Value	Sr. Liens	Collateral Value for Archway	Post-Petition Monthly Cash Collateral	Monthly Property Expenses
Broadway	\$11,500,000.00	\$0.00	\$11,500,000.00	N/A	
SLA	\$3,500,000.00	\$1,805,484.00	\$1,694,516.00	\$11,600.00	\$7,353.00
Negev	\$2,800,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,800,000.00	\$7,700.00	\$6,060.00
Greenfield	\$1,300,000.00	\$181,952.00	\$1,118,048.00	\$4,875.00	\$906.00
Horner	\$2,100,000.00	\$780,000.00	\$1,320,000.00	N/A	
S. Palm	\$2,500,000.00	\$1,514,632.00	\$985,368.00	\$11,529.00	\$2,833.00
			Total: \$19,417,932.00	\$35,704.00	\$17,152.00

Archway Debt:	\$15,241,093.00
	\$1,300,000.00
	\$2,646,348.96
	\$125,000.00
Total:	\$19,312,441.96

**Non-Archway Collateral:**

Property	Value	Liens	Post-Petition Monthly Cash Collateral
Canfield	\$2,000,000.00	\$363,480.00	\$6,900.00
Bagley	\$2,500,000.00	\$728,121.00	\$5,550.00
Roxbury	\$2,800,000.00	\$2,090,481.00	\$13,672.00

**DECLARATION OF SUSAN HALEVY**

I, Susan Halevy, hereby declare as follows:

1. I make this declaration in support of the *Motion by Affected Debtors for Entry of an Order Authorizing Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2)* (the “Motion”). Terms not defined herein shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Motion. I am a debtor in these jointly administered Bankruptcy Cases.

2. With the passing of my husband David in 2023, I am the sole beneficial owner of the Halevy Trust, in addition to 100% of community property I owned with David. I own 100% of 341 S. Canon LLC and as such I have the authority to grant a security interest in the real property owned by 341 S. Canon LLC, located at 341 S. Canon, Beverly Hills, CA 90212 (the “Property”).

3. The Property currently has a voluntary first lien of \$1,300,000 to Chase Bank. I estimate the current value of the Property to be \$2,600,000.

4. If the Bankruptcy Court requires a replacement lien for the use of any of the Debtors' cash collateral in these jointly administered cases, 341 S. Canon LLC consents to granting a replacement lien to those secured creditors for the diminution in value that results from the Debtors' use of cash collateral.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, at Los Angeles, California.

Susan Halevy  
SUSAN HALEVY

## **DECLARATION OF DANIEL HALEVY**

I, Daniel Halevy, hereby declare as follows:

1. I make this declaration in support of the *Motion by Affected Debtors for Entry of an Order Authorizing Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2)* (the “Motion”). Terms not defined herein shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Motion. I am debtors in these jointly administered Bankruptcy Cases.

2. I am the 100% owner and operator of Almighty Builders, LLC (“Almighty Builders”). Pre-petition, I have provided property management services as needed to the properties owned and operated by Seaton, Colyton, and SLA (the “Properties”), either directly or through Almighty Builders. Historically, Almighty Builders provided general contracting services for the Properties. On average, I provide at least 40 hours per week of my time and the resources of Almighty Builders toward managing the Properties. During these Bankruptcy Cases, Almighty Builders is proposed to perform all of the property management services required for the Properties.

3. For Seaton and Colyton, Almighty Builders will regularly perform the following management services:

- Repairs and Maintenance:
  - Daily inspection and monitoring of the properties (including weekends);
  - Respond to alarms or security calls regarding the property at all times;
  - Perform any and all repairs to the properties whether due to normal wear and tear or vandalism;
  - Oversee the cleaning and maintenance all restrooms and common areas and all empty spaces and parking lot area;
  - Coordinate maintenance with various contractors, third party inspectors, and tradesman such as roofers, HVAC, fire alarm and fire sprinklers, reg 4 testers, plumbers, electricians, elevator technicians and low voltage installers, trash service companies, and phone internet providers;
  - Meet, coordinate, and communicate with insurance inspectors, and various city officials such as LAFD, LADBS LADWP, SOCAL gas employees.

- 1        • Tenant Improvements:
  - 2              ○ Coordinate TI's with tenants;
  - 3              ○ Perform landlord work required as part of lease agreements;
  - 4              ○ Obtain quotes for landlord TI work and supervise the construction;
  - 5              ○ Attend tenant construction meetings to ensure TI's are done correctly;
  - 6              ○ Supervision of Tenant's TI's design and construction;
  - 7              ○ Work closely with tenants' consultants to facilitate smooth transitions.
- 8        • Tenant Relations:
  - 9              ○ Supervise the moving in and out of tenants;
  - 10          ○ Interface with tenants in an effort to maintain good tenant relations between
  - 11              tenants and landlord;
  - 12          ○ Handle all tenant requests and complaints;
  - 13          ○ Collection of rents and eviction efforts if necessary, including the serving of
  - 14              three day notices and the like, and appearance at trial if necessary in any
  - 15              landlord-tenant litigation;
- 16        • Marketing and Leasing:
  - 17              ○ Retain broker(s) to market and lease space in the property;
  - 18              ○ Meet prospective tenants and walk them through the buildings;
  - 19              ○ Negotiate leases;
  - 20              ○ Represent the buildings for short-term pop-up rentals and film shoots.

21        4. For SLA, Almighty Builders regularly performs the following management  
22 services:

- 23        • Repairs and Maintenance:
  - 24              ○ Daily inspection and monitoring of the property (including weekends);
  - 25              ○ Respond to alarms or security calls regarding the property at all times;
  - 26              ○ Perform any and all repairs to the property whether due to normal wear and
  - 27              tear or vandalism;

- 1                   ○ Oversee the cleaning and maintenance all restrooms and common areas and
- 2                   all empty spaces and parking lot area;
- 3                   ○ Coordinate maintenance with various contractors.
- 4                  ● Tenant Improvements:
  - 5                   ○ Coordinate TI's with tenants;
  - 6                   ○ Perform landlord work required as part of lease agreements.
- 7                  ● Tenant Relations:
  - 8                   ○ Supervise the moving in and out of tenants;
  - 9                   ○ Interface with tenants in an effort to maintain good tenant relations between
  - 10                   tenants and landlord;
  - 11                   ○ Handle all tenant requests and complaints;
  - 12                   ○ Collection of rents and eviction efforts if necessary, including the serving of
  - 13                   three day notices and the like, and appearance at trial if necessary in any
  - 14                   landlord-tenant litigation;
- 15                  ● Marketing and Leasing:
  - 16                   ○ Retain broker(s) to market and lease space in the property;
  - 17                   ○ Meet prospective tenants and walk them through the buildings;
  - 18                   ○ Negotiate leases;
  - 19                   ○ Represent the buildings for short-term pop-up rentals and film shoots.

20                 5. Prior to the Debtors' bankruptcy filings, I provided these services directly to the  
21 Debtors and was compensated fairly on a monthly albeit irregular basis. Post-petition, I will provide  
22 these same services through Almighty Builders. I believe \$10,000 per month for services provided  
23 to Seaton/Colyton and \$3,000 per month for services provided to SLA is a fair rate for the services  
24 provided.

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1 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the  
2 foregoing is true and correct.

3 Executed on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, at Los Angeles, California.  
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6 DANIEL HALEVY

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LOS ANGELES, CA 90025

## **DECLARATION OF DERRICK TALERICO**

I, Derrick Talerico, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney duly admitted to practice law in the state of California and am admitted inter alia to the United States District Court for the Central District of California, and therefore to practice in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

2. I submit this declaration in support of the *Motion by Affected Debtors for Entry of an Order Authorizing Use of Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(c)(2)* (the “Motion”). Terms not defined herein shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

3. In connection with the foregoing Motion, I have contacted KDM's counsel, David Vallas, to discuss the Seaton's and Colyton's use of KDM's cash collateral. Mr. Vallas has informed me that KDM consents to the use of its cash collateral for the expenses set forth in the monthly cash flow attached to the Gomperts Declaration as Exhibit 1, with the exception of the \$10,000 management fee.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 7th day of June, 2024, at Los Angeles, California.

/s/ Derrick Talerico

Derrick Talerico

## PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is:  
11766 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 730, Los Angeles, CA 90025

A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled (*specify*): **MOTION BY AFFECTED DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING USE OF CASH COLLATERAL PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 363(C)(2); DECLARATIONS OF ALAN GOMPERTS, SUSAN HALEVY, DANIEL HALEVY AND DERRICK TALERICO IN SUPPORT THEREOF** will be served or was served **(a)** on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and **(b)** in the manner stated below:

**1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF):** Pursuant to controlling General Orders and LBR, the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On (date) June 7, 2024, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below:

See attached NEF Service List

Service information continued on attached page

**2. SERVED BY UNITED STATES MAIL:**

On (date) \_\_\_\_\_, I served the following persons and/or entities at the last known addresses in this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that mailing to the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

See attached US Mail Service List

Service information continued on attached page

**3. SERVED BY PERSONAL DELIVERY, OVERNIGHT MAIL, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR EMAIL (state method for each person or entity served):** Pursuant to F.R.Civ.P. 5 and/or controlling LBR, on (date) June 7, 2024, I served the following persons and/or entities by personal delivery, overnight mail service, or (for those who consented in writing to such service method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that personal delivery on, or overnight mail to, the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

The Honorable Vincent Zurzolo  
United States Bankruptcy Court  
255 E Temple St Suite 1360  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

(via personal delivery)

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

June 7, 2024  
Date

Martha E. Araki  
Printed Name

/s/ Martha E. Araki  
Signature

Seaton Investments, LLC – Jointly Administered

**1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF):**

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